## Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## Listing of Claims:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A superconducting cable comprising:
  - a former made of a normal-conducting metal;
- a first superconducting layer formed around the outer circumference of said former and in electrical communication with the former;
- an electric insulating layer formed around the outer circumference of said first superconducting layer;
- a second superconducting layer formed around the outer circumference of said electric insulating layer; and
- a normal-conducting metal layer formed between said electric insulating layer and said second superconducting layer:
- wherein said first and second superconducting layers are in a state cooled by a refrigerant.
  - 2. (Cancelled).
- 3. (Previously Presented) The superconducting cable according to claim 1, wherein said normal-conducting metal layer is formed by winding round wires with a round cross section or tape-shaped wires formed from a normal-conducting metal.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The superconducting cable according to claim 3, wherein said wires include further comprising a wire insulating layers around their outer circumferences.
  - 5.-7. (Cancelled).
- 8. (Original) The superconducting cable according to claim  $7_1$ , wherein said superconducting wires have a matrix ratio within a range between 1.5 or more and 3.0 or less.
  - 9. 10. (Cancelled).